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## Application of

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Serial No. : 09/980,921  
Filed : 10/26/2001  
Title : SLICING MACHINE, AND METHOD OF USE AND COMPONENTS  
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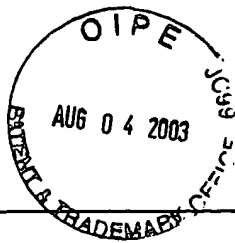
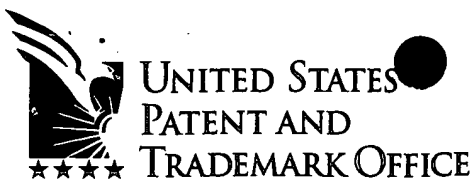
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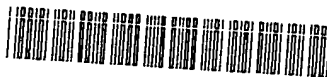
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**ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC.**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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